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In re Application of

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: DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed October 27, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

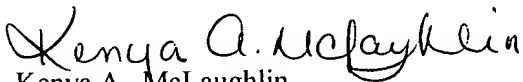
The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely response to the final Office action mailed April 27, 2004. The final Office action set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months from its mailing date. No response was received within the allowable period and the application became abandoned on July 28, 2004. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed in November 2, 2004.

The continuing application accorded application serial number 11/260,767, filed October 27, 2005, is noted.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 3700, GAU 3753 for further processing.

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